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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Heinz, et al.))
Serial No.: 10/001,524) Examiner: Wang, Quan Zhen
Filed: October 24, 2001))
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AN ETHERNET OPTICAL AREA NETWORK) Art Unit: 2633)

Commissioner for Patents

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I hereby certify that this amendment is being sent via facsimile to 571-273-8300 on the date indicated below.

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Dear Commissioner:

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated September 9, 2005. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0251 in the amount of \$225.00 for the extension fee. An amendment responsive to the outstanding Office Action accompanies this petition.

Please charge any additional fees due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0251.

Respectfully submitted,

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